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In re Application of :
Bergeron et al. :
Application No. 10/656,931 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: September 5, 2003 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. EHP-003.01 :
For: Configuring a Semantic Network:
To Process Transactions :

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed June 14, 2004. Petitioner obtained a five-month extension of time. Accordingly, the petition is timely filed.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventors have refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. Specifically, the statement of facts of Kevin A. Oliver establishes that the inventors were mailed the application papers, including the specification, claims and drawings, but failed to respond to the request that they sign the declarations.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addresses given in the present petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100 for examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5589.

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Dear Mr. Trustman:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper

in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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